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# HOLLAND CITY NEWS.

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THURSDAY, DEC. 14, 1911

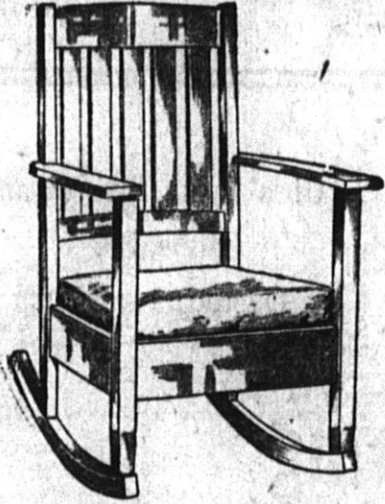
Number 50

## Christmas Gift

should be something that will not only give pleasure, but one that will be lasting and useful

Now is the Time

to make your selections, we'll store and deliver later



Rockers

Rockers

Over 200 styles of Rockers from which it will be easy to find just what you desire. You never make a mistake in giving a good Rocker.

A very acceptable and satisfying gift is

A COUCH

We have an extra large variety of them, ordered special for Holiday trade.



Come in and see them

"Push the Button and Rest"



Mrs. Homekeeper

You owe it to yourself as well as to your husband to have one of these Royal Morris Chairs. There is nothing that will be more of an inducement to keep him home evenings than a

Royal

Push Button Morris Chair

STOP IN AND SEE THEM



Jas. A. Brouwer

212-214 RIVER ST.



Select Your

HOLIDAY GIFTS

from the

Largest and Best Stock

in the city

at

STEVENSON'S  
Jewelry Store

Yes, We All Know That. "After all," observes the thoughtful man, "there's always a lot of difference between expectation and realization." "You bet," answers the man with the chenille whiskers. "For instance, reading a seed catalogue in the spring and looking at your garden in the fall."—Life.

Missing. Little Anna's mother was expecting a distinguished guest who was extremely bald and sensitive on the subject, so she cautioned Anna not to mention Mr. M—'s hair. As the visitor was ushered in the child's gaze wandered inquiringly to the shining head. "Mamma," she piped shrilly, "where be's his hair?"

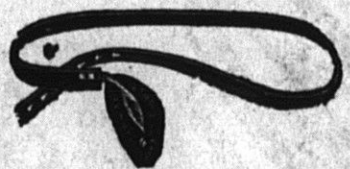
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B. Steketee's Grocery

Entrance Next Interurban Office  
33 W. 8th St. 185 River St.  
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A NEW LINE OF  
CRUTCHES AND TRUSS  
have been added to our stock  
SMITH, the Druggist  
HOTEL BLOCK



## LOCAL.

The Hope college basketball team won the opening game last Thursday night from the Grand Rapids Battalion by a score of 77 to 13.

The Holland High school basketball team defeated the Zeeland High school quintet in the opening game of the schedule Friday by the score of 36 to 19.

The postoffice department has ruled that all registered letters must be addressed in ink. Registered mail addressed in any other way will not be delivered.

The Limberts defeated the Holland Shoes last Friday night by a score of 10 to 4. The batteries for the Shoes were: R. Peterson, O. Peterson and Vick; for the Limberts, Vick and Overweg.

The charred hull of the steamer Arundel, which was burned to the water's edge in Saugatuck recently, has been sold by the insurance company to Nessen & Kittinger of Manistee. The new owners have taken it to Manistee, where it will be rebuilt.

Albert Charleton was found by the police in Grand Rapids and brought to Holland to answer to a complaint for jumping a board bill which was sworn out more than a year ago. When arraigned before Justice Sooy Charleton paid the board bill amounting to \$16 and the costs in the case.

W. D. Hopkins was arraigned before Justice Miles on complaint of Officer Meeuwse on the charge of being a drunkard. When he appeared in court he stood mute so that the court entered for him a plea of not guilty. His trial was set for next Friday afternoon in the court room of the city hall.

The Hudsonville State Bank opened for business yesterday.

By a ruling of the postoffice department all letters addressed to "Santa Claus" will not be sent to the dead letter office, but will be turned over to charitable institutions or societies, who are disposed to take them and investigate the wants of the senders.

The Cosmopolitan society of Hope college observed its twenty-second anniversary with a banquet Friday night, at which covers were laid for sixty. President Frederic Zandstra was toastmaster and speeches were made by Oliver G. Droppers, John Riemersma, Charles Stoppels and William Wolvoord.

James W. Smith, under arrest charged with murder in connection with the shooting of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Clara Flannegan, and her daughter Cora, has succeeded in having his trial put over until the February term of court. The illness of his mother, who is to be a witness, was the reason. Smith is a jovial prisoner and smokes considerable.

The Hope Monogram circle, which was organized a year ago, has been re-organized with the following officers: Grand consul, Martin Verberg; vice consul, Aleck Van Bronkhorst; scribe, George Steinnager; Judas, Gebhard Stegeman; custodian, P. Verhoek.

At the annual meeting of the teachers of the Sunday school of the Third Reformed church the following officers were elected: H. G. Pelgrim, superintendent; H. Geerlings, assistant superintendent; H. J. Luidens, secretary; D. J. Te Roller, treasurer; J. Vandersluijs, chorister; Misses Te Roller and Warnshuis, organists; H. Van Ark, librarian.

A new law went into effect recently requiring persons purchasing some of the more deadly poisons to give the druggist a certificate showing for what purpose it is required, quantity purchased, etc. Cyanide of potassium, arsenic, prussic acid, morphine, strychnine, and all poisonous alkaloids and their sales come within the provisions of the new law.

The regular meeting of the Ottawa County Medical society was held at the Colonial Cafe in Grand Haven last night. A supper was served at 7:15 o'clock followed by an interesting program. Dr. W. S. Walkley of Grand Haven acted as toastmaster and papers were read by Dr. Hofma of Grand Haven, Dr. H. Kremers and Dr. B. Godfrey of Holland, Dr. Van Der Laan of Muskegon and Dr. Peeper of Byron Center.

The Social Progress club, organized for the purpose of studying social and municipal problems, will begin work next week. Formal papers will be presented by the club members for discussion at the meetings. Following are the officers of the new organization: President, Nichodemus Bosch; first vice president, T. N. Robinson; second vice president, A. T. Godfrey; secretary and treasurer, Arnold Mulder.

Rev. Peter A. J. Bouma was installed as pastor of the Fourth Reformed church Thursday night. Rev. William J. Van Kersen, western district representative of the board of foreign missions, read the formula; Rev. Henry J. Veldman, pastor of the First Reformed church, preached the sermon; Rev. Dr. Mathew Kolyn of the Western Theological seminary addressed the pastor, and Rev. William Wolvius of Graafschap, a former pastor of that church, delivered the charge to the congregation.

Recent transfer of stock in the Michigan United Railways company have resulted in one announcement that is of decided interest to Allegan county people but which will be taken with the usual grain of salt. This great corporation, which has recently secured control of many interurban systems in this state, has asked the state railroad commission for permission to issue bonds to the amount of \$1,237,000, the money to be used in building extensions. Sanford W. Ladd, general counsel for the company, is authority for the statement that a line is soon to be built from Kalamazoo to Grand Rapids. "There is no secret about the fact," said he, "that we intend to build that line as well as electrify the line to Benton Harbor." From authoritative sources comes the additional news that the extension will include a branch line from Allegan to Saugatuck. The route from Kalamazoo to Grand Rapids will be by way of Plainwell, Otsego and Allegan. This is the extent of the announcement except that the company hope to utilize some of the grading and other work done by the Pattersons and others who have attempted to connect Kalamazoo and the Furniture City. Allegan county people will doubtless experience another thrill at this declaration. All will hope, and few will refuse to do all they can to further the project.—Allegan Gazette.

The Rev. R. L. Haan, pastor of the Central Avenue Holland Christian Reformed church was presented with a purse of \$200 at the annual meeting of the congregation.

B. J. Gillick left Monday for Ludington to accept position as 1st officer of Steamer Pere Marquette No. 19 for the winter.

Mrs. Fred J. Vos of Central Park just returned from Spring Lake where she attended the wedding of her niece Evelyn E. Yonker to Jack Vander Wal Dec. 6.

The merchant whose window presents the best appearance during the holiday season will receive a prize in the way of 2 tickets to the Merchants Banquet.

Enough money has been collected to assume the continuation of the arches lighting parts of Eighth and River street for another year. Some of the merchants have expressed their opinions that the city, getting part of the benefits, should bear half of the express.

A jury in Justice Miles court found Tony Hesselink guilty of being an habitual drunkard. The trial was held yesterday afternoon. Prosecuting Attorney Oosterhouse appeared for the people and Attorney Daniel Ten Cate for the defense.

A young lad had a narrow escape from drowning last night while playing on a raft near the factory of C. L. King & Co. In jumping to the shore he miscalculated the distance and plunged into the icy water. John Van Dyke happened to be a witness and came to his aid rescuing him just as he was about to give up his hold on the dock chilled to the point of exhaustion.

At the annual meeting of the Fourteenth Street Christian Reformed church L. Marsilje and M. Notier were re-elected as elders and J. Beckman was elected elder to take the place of A. Wentzel. J. De Jongh and C. Lokker were re-elected as deacons. At the meeting of the Ladies' Aid society of that church the following officers were chosen for the coming year: President, Mrs. Robert Mulder; vice president, Mrs. J. Van Putten; secretary, Mrs. A. Romeyn; treasurer, Mrs. A. De Vries.

## ARRESTED ON CAPIAS.

Former Mayor Brusse of Holland was arrested in Kalamazoo Friday on a capias or civil warrant, charging slander. The arrest was at the instance of officers of the Holland City Gas company in Grand Rapids. The offense charged is in connection with the alleged attempted bribing case. Brusse having declared that he was offered \$5,000 to influence legislation in the council favorable to the gas company.

Mr. Brusse's bail was fixed at \$1,000 which was furnished, Dick De Graaf of Kalamazoo going on as his bondsman. The bail will run out in fifteen days and before that time some sort of disposition will have to be made of the matter.

The Kalamazoo representatives of the Holland Gas company are Boudeman, Adams & Weston and Mr. Brusse has retained as his attorneys Frost & Farrel.

Circuit Judge Padgham has decided to call a grand jury which will begin its sessions some time between the 1st and 15th of January, 1912.

## TWO BOYS DROWN.

Two boys, Edward Harrington, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hub Harrington, and John Mattison, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Mattison, were drowned late Sunday afternoon in Black lake near Waukazoo.

The two boys, aged 16 and 15 years respectively, started across the lake Sunday afternoon. The waters are often very rough at the north end when it is calm at the south end, and that was the condition Sunday night. When the boys did not return home the families did not worry, as they had repeatedly told them in case they were caught on the other side by rough weather, not to try to return. Monday morning, however, A. H. Mattison, father of the younger boy, and Al Beckman started out in search of them. They found one of the boats overturned and young Mattison's cap under it.

Although the Macatawa life saving station is closed for the winter, Captain Van Weelden was notified and responded with more than half his crew. About 3 o'clock Monday afternoon Mattison's body was recovered near the spot where the boats were found.

Although a large number of men have been dragging the lake since Monday, up to the time of going to press they have been unable to locate the body of Ed. Harrington.

## Selling out at a Big Discount Our Hard Coal Stoves and Ranges

Only a few left.

Also a Discount on

## Jack Knives and Razors

Also have other bargains

:::: Come in and see ::::

Zoerman & Vereeke

"I'm THERE WITH THE LAUGHS 300, COUNT 'EM"

A. STERN, Presents "BOB BLAKE"

## THE TRAVELING SALESMAN

A COMEDY By JAMES FORBES Author of 'The Chorus Lady'

"This comedy will make the whole land laugh"

Saturday Evening Post, Philadelphia, Pa.

One year in New York—Six Months in Chicago—Four Months in Boston

## At the Knickerbocker Theatre

Mat. and Eve. Dec. 16. Tickets now on sale 25c to \$1.50

## Farms! Farms! Farms!

We have on our list some of the best bargains in Farms ever offered in Ottawa and Allegan Counties. Below are just a couple samples.

30 acres, four miles and a half southeast of Holland, one mile and a half to church. All improved extra good soil. Fair buildings. Price reasonable 60 acres one half mile south of Vriesland. Good heavy rich soil. Fine large buildings. Easy terms if desired

20 acres, two miles and a half south of Byron Centre. Extra good black soil. Fine house, small barn. Good water. Very cheap.

75 acres, two miles and a half south of Moline, nearly all improved. No better soil. Fine large barn. Cheap and easy terms.

105 acres one mile south of Bradley. All excellent soil. Fine large buildings. Everything first-class. A snap. Send for our new list, or call at our office and ask also for a calendar for 1912. Both are free.

JOHN WEERSING

REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE

HOLLAND, MICH.

Advertising in the News pays. Try it





## NEW HOLLAND.

If it were not for the continuous rain farmers would start ploughing.

Mr. J. Ten Have, who has been ill for some time, is gradually improving.

Mr. G. H. Eilers, who has been quite seriously ill, is steadily improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Houting and daughter Sundayed in Holland City with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Douma of Rudyard are spending a few days with relatives in the vicinity.

Miss Jennie G. A. Van Dyk of Holland is at present visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Van Dyk.

Mrs. W. H. Vanden Berg and daughter Levia of Holland spent a few days with Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Vanden Berg.

Mr. John Nienhuis of Crisp and Mr. Ed Van Dyke of New Holland are both taking a vacation on account of sprained ankles.

The sugar beets have all been dug but not delivered. The farmers in general spent a great deal of time digging them, on account of the rains.

Mr. Wybe J. Nienhuis of Crisp and Mr. Bartle Blink of New Holland returned Saturday evening from Chicago, where they attended the stock show.

Miss Ethel Vanden Berg from Grand Rapids and a graduate nurse from the Butterworth hospital, spent a few days with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Vanden Berg, last week.

Holland may have quite a sensation as to the gas question, but it is nothing compared to what the council of Crisp has to deal with. At the council meeting of Crisp last week the question of good roads came up to be discussed, so one of the aldermen was given the privilege to give his views and the mayor was of the opinion that he had the right man to start the discussion. But he was very much mistaken. The alderman took the opposite view. He declared he was not in favor of good roads; he said these muddy roads we have at present are just the thing. It is better for your horses and rigs. He was always very much opposed to moonlight, he claimed; they all had lanterns and they wanted to make use of them. He also favors the trust and claims that it is the best thing that ever happened to the United States, to have these trusts. After he finished speaking the mayor asked the other aldermen present if it would not be a good thing to suspend the alderman for at least three months and not to return to the meeting until he had changed his mind or else present a certificate from a physician that his mind was not as it should have been that evening, but had now entirely recovered. Every one present voted in favor of suspending him.

## ZEELAND.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. C. Kiel, a son.

Lucas Huyer and R. Steffens were in Chicago to see the stock show.

The Rev. Mr. De Spelder of Constantine conducted the services at the Second Reformed church Sunday.

The Rev. P. P. Cheff preached Sunday in the Reformed church at Gelderland to fill a classical appointment.

The Rev. M. E. Broekstra of Forest Grove conducted the services at the Reformed church in Beaverdam Sunday.

The Independent Athletic club of Zeeland defeated the Kings of Holland by a score of 13 to 12. The game was played in Zeeland.

News has been received here of the marriage of John Ver Lee, son of Isaac Ver Lee, formerly of this city, and Miss Mary Grant of Denver, Col., at Denver.

C. Schaap of New Groningen who was badly injured some four weeks ago in an interurban accident is so much improved that he will soon be out again.

The Reformed church has named the following trio from which to select a pastor for the church: Rev. Peter Swart, Alton, Wis.; Student Westberg of the Theological seminary, Holland; Rev. Albert Oosterhof, Fremont.

Two gallons of whisky for every person was consumed in Zeeland in the past year. The three drug stores together have just sold 200 empty barrels that formerly contained the hot stuff. Averaging 30 gallons each, this is 6,000 gallons, or two gallons for each inhabitant. There are no saloons in the village.

The Rev. G. De Jonge, pastor of the Reformed church at Vriesland, who announced about two weeks ago that he had resigned as pastor of the church will move with his family to Zeeland this week. The Rev. Mr. De Jonge expects to deliver his farewell sermon on Sunday December 31. The pastor is in receipt of a call to become classical missionary for the classes of Holland, Grand River and Michigan, but has not decided what he will do.

The tax roll for the year for the city of Zeeland is now in the hands of City Treasurer Jacob Meeboer and some of the residents are coming in who wish to get the matter off their minds as soon as possible, to pay their wads that they owe the city, state and county. The total amount to be raised in taxes by the city of

# Just \$1.00

# Will buy all your CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

There Will be no after Christmas regrets if you select your Christmas Gifts from this store of good things to wear

## Sensible Gifts For

## Fathers, Husbands and Brothers

Men's Suits, Overcoats, Raincoats, Pants,  
Hats and Shoes

## Wives, Sisters and Mothers

Ladies' Suits, Fur Coats, Pony Coats, Plush Coats,  
Caricul Coats, Cloth Coats, Waists,  
Dresses, Furs and Millinery

Girls' Coats, Dresses and  
Suits, Boy's  
Overcoats and Suits

10 to 25 Per Cent Discount on Everything  
Get What You Want NOW and Pay After Christmas

Don't Take the money out  
of the bank for  
Christmas Gifts  
but come here and buy them  
of us and pay after  
Christmas, \$1.00 a week

*Klassens's*  
CASH & CREDIT STORE

Your Face is good  
here. We ask no  
security only an honest  
face. No red tape. No  
collectors. Credit is as  
free as the air you breathe

Zeeland is in the neighborhood of \$30,000. The city tax is \$10,700; school tax for district No. 1, \$8,500. For the last three days several hundred dollars have already been collected.

## JENISON PARK.

List of pupils having perfect record of attendance and punctuality, District No. 3, Laketown (Jenison Park): Richard Jacobs, Marion Harkema, Richard Harkema, Theodore Knoll, Alice Plasman, Hattie Tyink, Johnny Van Huis, Evelyn Vander Velden, Eddie Wolbert, John Van Weelden, Della Knoll, Helena Tinholt, Agnes Welch, Frances Mills, Clarence Vander Velden, Laura Vander Velden, Leo Doyle, Anna Van Huis, Louis Van Huis, John Knoll, Victor Jackson, Rosa Welch, Mae Leath, Gerrit Kramer. Teachers—Iva Stanton and Gertrude Meerken.

## PORT SHELTON.

Abraham Kline has left to spend the winter in Grand Rapids.

John Van Dragt has gone back to Saugatuck after spending a week with his parents.

Mrs. H. J. Davis gave a surprise party in honor of Mr. Davis' birthday anniversary. Many of their friends and neighbors were present and a delightful time was spent by all. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Davis. Mr. and Mrs. Davis' frequent informals are noted for the general hospitality extended to all, and a general good time was spent by all the guests.

## EBENEZER.

The Reformed church at Ebenezer has extended a unanimous call to Rev. Lawrence Dykstra, pastor of Grace Reformed church, Grand Rapids, to succeed Rev. Philip Meengs, who recently left for Prairie City, Ia.

## OVERISEL.

J. H. Mokma, pastor of the Holland Christian Reformed church at East Overisel, has received a call from a similar church at Hoboken, N. J.

## OTTAWA BEACH.

Mrs. Ph. Voland has gone to Bremen, Ind., to spend the holidays.

## WORK WILL SOON START

After you take Dr. King's New Life Pills, and you'll quickly enjoy their fine results. Constipation and indigestion vanish and fine appetite returns. They regulate stomach, liver and bowels and impart new strength and energy to the whole system. Try them. Only 25c at Walsh Drug Co., H. R. Doesburg, Geo. L. Lage.

WANTED—A live man in this county, who is willing to get out and work, to take the exclusive sale of a tool that every farmer wants. Must have selling ability, will return good profit. G. R. Builders Supply Co., Grand Rapids, Mich. 3-47

HERE IS A REMEDY  
THAT WILL CURE SKIN  
AND SCALP AFFECTIONS.

## AND WE CAN PROVE IT.

The Gerber Drug Store says to every person be it man, woman or child who has an irritated, tender, inflamed, itching SKIN or SCALP, you need not suffer another day. "We have a refined skin preparation that acts instantly and will bring you swift and sure results."

One warm bath with ZEMO SOAP and one application of ZEMO and you will not suffer another moment and you will soon see a cure in sight. ZEMO and ZEMO SOAP are proven cures for every form of skin or scalp affection. They are sold by one leading druggist in every city or town in America and in Holland by the Gerber Drug Store.

## Thought It a Purchase.

Some good luck had come to him in business that day and he felt as if he wanted to share it with others. So when he reached her house and dismissed the station hack with its two sorry horses he joyously handed the driver two dollars. The driver looked at the money, then at the man, and then at his horses, and finally said: "All right, sir, which horse do you want?"

"I Suffered Intense  
Pains in My Left  
Side."

Do you realize it is better to be safe than sorry, that it is the best policy to lock the stable door before the horse is stolen?

## Dr. Miles' Heart Remedy

cured Mrs. C. C. Gokey, of a stubborn case of heart disease, such as thousands are now suffering with. Read what she says:

"Before I began taking Dr. Miles' Heart Remedy I had been suffering from heart trouble for over five years. I had grown so weak that it was impossible for me to do thirty minutes work in a whole day. I suffered intense pains in my left side and under the left shoulder blade, I could not sleep on the left side, and was so short of breath that I thought I should never be able to take a full breath again. The least excitement would bring on the most distressing palpitation. I had scarcely taken a bottle of the Heart Remedy before I could see a marked change in my condition. I began to sleep well, had a good appetite, and improved so rapidly that when I had taken six bottles I was completely cured. MRS. C. C. GOKEY, Northfield, Vt.

If you have any of the symptoms Mrs. Gokey mentions, it is your duty to protect yourself.

## Dr. Miles' Heart Remedy.

is what you need. If the first bottle fails to benefit, your money is returned. Ask your druggist. MILES MEDICAL CO., Elkhart, Ind.

## Very Welcome News

We bought the surplus stock from David Adler & Sons, one of America's best Manufacturer's. You all know the excellent values of this meritable stock of Merchandise

We saved several dollars and will give friends and patrons the saving

All David Adler & Sons	\$12.50	Suits and Overcoats,	\$ 9.75
"	15.00	"	11.75
"	18.00	"	14.75
"	20.00	"	15.75
"	22.50	"	17.75
"	25.00	"	21.25

Take advantage of these special bargains immediately and we can save you several dollars

## P. S. Boter & Co.

16 W. Eighth Street

Holland, Mich.

Special discount on picture frames at Bert Slaghs.

Willing to Oblige.  
"I want recognition as a taxpayer," said the frate citizen. "All right," said the municipal boss; "we'll send the assessor around to see you again."



## Van's Cafe

## Quick Lunch

and Good Short Order Cooking

Select Oysters Fresh Fruits and vegetables

Give us a call

JOHN HOFFMAN, Prop.

## HOLLAND CITY NEWS

\$1.00 Per Year in Advance



## COMMON COUNCIL

(Official.)

Holland, Mich., Dec. 6, 1911.

The Common Council met in regular session and was called to order by the Mayor.

Present: Mayor Stephan, Alds. Lokker, Drinkwater, King, Kammeraad, Lawrence, Harrington, Jellema and Brower, and the Clerk.

The minutes of the last two meetings were read and approved.

## PETITIONS.

Wm. Dieters petitioned for permission to place building material in East 8th Street adjacent to the property of H. J. Fisher.

Referred to the Committee on Streets and Crosswalks, with power to act.

The Clerk presented a communication from Thomas Keppel of Zeeland, Michigan, relative to having his name considered in the matter of auditing the City books.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Ald. Van Tongeren here appeared and took his seat.

John Looman petitioned for permission to move a building from Scott-Lugers Lumber yard to Diekema's Addition, a barn from East 9th to East 11th Streets, and a house from West 11th Street to Diekema's Addition.

Referred to the Committee on Streets and Crosswalks, with power to act.

The Clerk reported that the Calumet Construction Company had served a notice on the City, stating that the contract made and entered into between the City of Holland and themselves, for the building and constructing of a well between 20th and 21st Streets, east of Maple Street, in accordance with a contract entered into, a part of which includes certain plans, specifications and drawings, was fully complied with and completed on the first day of December, A. D. 1911, and that it was at that time entitled to the full contract price. Further, that all work done on said well after December 1, 1911, in accordance with instructions given, has been and will be done at the risk and expense of the City of Holland.

Filed.

Mrs. Ida Forney, Mrs. G. Huysjen, and Annie Alofs petitioned for remission of taxes for the year 1911.

Referred to the Committee on Poor.

## REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Ways and Means to whom was referred the matter of auditing the City books, reported recommending that the books be audited for a period of ten years, and requested that they be given authority to engage competent accountants for the purpose of making such audit.

Adopted, and authority granted.

The Committee on Streets and Crosswalks requested an extension of time in matters referred to them relative to the vacating of Lake Street.

Granted.

The Committee on Claims and Accounts reported having examined the following claims and recommended the payment of same:

Richard Overweg, clerk.....	\$ 50.00
Flo. Kruijsenga, asst. clerk.....	30.00
C. Vander Meulen, city atty.....	37.50
N. J. Essenberg, treasurer.....	25.00
Jerry Boerema, janitor.....	37.50
T. Nauta, street comm.....	29.17
Holland City News, printing.....	23.75
J. Y. Huizenga & Co., coal.....	235.54
R. Zeerip, brooms.....	1.00
Scott-Lugers Lbr. Co., lumber.....	5.30
Bert Slagh, supplies.....	1.00
Board of Public Works, light.....	15.74
John Van Anrooy, register of deeds.....	1.40
R. Overweg, advanced expenses to Lansing.....	23.16
Burroughs Adding Machine Co., ribbon etc.....	2.50
The Studebaker Corporation, street sweeper.....	10.00
Chas. Bertsch, cord.....	.36
L. Lanting, repairs.....	1.75
T. Keppel's Sons, alpha, pipe, etc.....	9.86
E. Beekman, labor.....	1.00
B. Olgers, labor.....	1.00
Peter Ver Wey, pound master.....	14.25
J. H. Nibbelink & Son, burial boot child.....	10.00
J. H. Nibbelink & Son, rigs, chairs, etc.....	31.50
Jacob Flieman, tent.....	6.00
Peter Prins, rent.....	4.00
Bert Slagh, rent.....	3.00
W. J. Garrod, rent.....	5.00
Mrs. J. Baas, rent.....	6.50
Ora Bush, rent.....	5.00
Cecil Huntley, rent.....	5.00
J. Wolfert & Co., poor orders.....	4.00
J. H. Tuls, poor orders.....	10.50
Du Mez Bros., poor orders.....	32.00
Holland City State Bank, poor orders.....	12.00
J. Ver Hulst, poor orders.....	39.00
B. Steketee, poor orders.....	4.00
A. De Groot, poor orders.....	16.50
G. Van Putten, poor orders.....	37.00
J. & H. De Jongh, poor orders.....	11.50
John De Boer, fuel.....	3.60
G. A. Klomparsen, fuel.....	3.60
The Consumers Co., fuel.....	6.25
H. P. Zwemer, fuel.....	6.00
T. Keppel's Sons, fuel.....	45.25
Austin Harrington, fuel.....	6.75
Holland Fuel Co., fuel.....	4.50
First State Bank, poor orders.....	32.75
James Kole, repairing and supplies.....	4.65
Ed. Fisher, labor.....	20.00
Peter Zanting, labor.....	20.00
H. Stoel, labor.....	32.40
E. Beekman, labor.....	18.80
Albert Aldering, labor.....	15.60
J. Vander Ploeg, labor.....	11.40
B. Olgers, labor.....	18.00
Art. Reitsma, labor.....	3.00
Jan. Meyer, labor.....	1.00
Jan. Hooijer, labor.....	2.00
Jacob Arnoldink, labor.....	1.60
Boone Bros., team work.....	1.87
N. Plagenhoef, team work.....	39.75
Frank Brenneke, labor.....	10.45
Scott-Lugers Lbr. Co., lumber.....	.85
Holland Lumber & Supply Co., lumber.....	18.24
John Vanden Berg, labor and material.....	5.00
Tyler Van Landegend, supplies.....	2.11
Zeeland Brick Co., brick.....	15.28
Holland Printing Co., maps.....	1.44
H. A. Naberhuis, express.....	.50
James Kole, repairs.....	1.65
Henry Kraker, labor.....	1.00
Frank Dyke, labor and material.....	48.02
A. C. Van Raalte, gravel.....	46.50
Jacob Zuidema, asst. eng.....	9.50

H. A. Naberhuis, engineer.....	\$7.50
Mrs. Boerema, washings.....	1.50
Peoples State Bank, poor orders.....	12.00
G. J. Van Duren, supervisor.....	189.00
1st district.....	189.00
C. W. Nibbelink, supervisor.....	189.00
2nd district.....	189.00
H. J. Klomparsen, poor orders.....	21.00
Citizens Telephone Co., messages.....	.65
C. Vander Meulen, expenses to Grand Rapids, postage, etc.....	4.95
Allowed and warrants ordered issued.....	

The Committee on Claims and Accounts presented the following claims: C. Last, constructing crosswalks, \$49.70; Little, Brown & Co., books, \$32.50; J. H. Nibbelink & Son, burial expenses, \$25.00.

Allowed and warrants ordered issued.

The Committee on Poor reported presenting the report of the Director of the Poor, stating that they had rendered temporary aid for the three weeks ending December 6th, 1911, amounting to \$202.50.

Accepted.

The Committee on Ordinances reported that at the next meeting of the Council they would introduce an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to Prohibit and Prevent the Carrying of Concealed Weapons except in certain specified cases when a License is issued therefor; and to Prohibit the Sale, Keeping for Sale, Loaning or Giving away of certain dangerous weapons," also, that they would introduce at said meeting an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to Amend Section 1, of Ordinance No. 185, entitled, An Ordinance establishing a Fire District in the City of Holland."

## SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the message of the Mayor relative to the defective service, etc., furnished by the Grand Rapids, Holland & Chicago Railway Company, reported having met with the officials of said Company, and that they have agreed to remedy said service. Further, that they have investigated the matter of fifteen-minute City service; that they find that there are a great many citizens demanding such service, and recommended that the Council require said Railway Company to run a car each way every fifteen minutes from 6 o'clock a. m. until 11 o'clock p. m., commencing within seven days after the service of notice of such requirement upon them.

Adopted, and recommendation ordered carried out.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the matter of polling place for the 5th Ward reported that the cost of constructing such polling place will be approximately \$500.00.

On motion of Ald. Harrington, Said Special Committee was authorized and instructed to have such polling place constructed at a cost not to exceed \$500.00.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the matter of the Holland City Gas Company reported as follows:

Your Committee, to whom was referred the matter of the Holland City Gas Co., wish to report as follows: Your Committee has met with the representatives of the Gas Company and have demanded of them that said Company comply with the franchise. The matter was discussed very thoroughly by your Committee and said representatives and they informed your Committee that they were making every effort in their power to comply with the provisions of their franchise. After they had informed your Committee what they were doing, your Committee requested that they make said statement in writing, which they did and we present said communication herewith:

To the Hon. Mayor and Special Committee of the Common Council of the City of Holland,

Gentlemen:

At a conference held yesterday with your Committee, the representatives of the Gas Company were asked what steps, if any, the Company proposed to take to better its existing service. In answer to this inquiry the Gas Company made certain representations which at your request we take pleasure in hereby confirming, as follows:

The lack of pressure noticeable upon the mains of the Company in the past few months has been caused first, by lack of holder capacity and secondly, by accumulation of naphthalene and water in the mains. The accumulation of naphthalene has been due to inadequate condensing and purifying apparatus.

Even before the meeting of the Council at which your Committee was appointed, the Company had taken steps to remedy these conditions.

For the past two weeks we have had an expert with a force of men at work, locating stoppages in the mains and when found the naphthalene and water have been removed and where water has accumulated drips have been put in to prevent a recurrence. We have found a large number of such stoppages and are still engaged in the work. As soon as the mains are thoroughly cleaned out we will take pressure tests and whenever it is necessary to get better circulation it is our purpose to tie-in the mains as recommended in Col. Pratt's report.

Realizing that unless the accumulation of naphthalene can be prevented the mains will soon be stopped again, we have placed orders for additional condensing and purifying apparatus large enough to meet our requirements for a number of years to come. A condenser has been ordered from the Kerr-Murray Mfg. Co., Fort Wayne, Indiana, and will be delivered within the next thirty days. The purifying apparatus was ordered on November 9th from the Lloyd Construction Company of Detroit and we are advised shipment will be made on the 28th inst.

The cost of the work and improvements above noted will amount to about \$8,000. The Company in order to obtain the apparatus and do the work required, has been obliged to contract additional obligations and some of the directors are pledging their credit therefor.

When this work is done and the new apparatus installed not only will the stoppage of mains be obviated, but the quality of the gas furnished

will be as good as can be produced from coal and when delivered to our customers will be as clean as gas can be made.

We believe that with the cleaning out of our mains we will be able to give good pressure until at least late next summer, when the heavy demand comes upon our plant, and we hope that we will be able to get through even that period. Of course the pressure conditions will not be ideal, from a manufacturing point of view at least, until we can install an additional holder.

Upon the matter of extensions we are unable at this time to make any positive statements. If the earnings of the Company over and above its fixed charges are sufficient, we will make the extensions as they are asked for. Beyond this limit we may not be able to go.

We reiterate that hereafter the gas furnished will be of the best quality and for some time to come, at least, the pressure will be adequate.

In conclusion we beg to assure you that we intend doing everything within the limit of our possibilities to comply with the provisions of the franchise. Every dollar that is earned from the operation of the Company over and above its necessary charges will be devoted to the betterment of the plant and the service furnished.

Thanking you and through you, the members of the Common Council, for the courtesy heretofore extended us, the foregoing is respectfully submitted.

Holland City Gas Company.

Joe H. Brower, Secretary.

While this does not assure us that there will be no future troubles, your Committee is of the opinion that it is for the best interest of the City to let the matter rest for the present. Under the franchise the City has until September 1st, 1912, to notify the Gas Company of its intention to purchase the plant, and if there is a desire to own a municipal Gas Plant there will be ample time to give the people a chance to express themselves at the next annual election.

E. P. Stephan,  
H. Van Tongeren,  
Benjamin Brower.

Adopted.

## REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND CITY OFFICERS.

The following bills, approved by the Board of Health, at a meeting held Dec. 4, 1911, were ordered certified to the Common Council for payment:

Peter Eelhart, inspector.....	\$ 44.75
Holland City News, printing.....	18.00
Holland Sentinel Pub. Co., printing.....	5.60
G. Van Putten, merchandise to Wm. Exo.....	4.85
T. Keppel's Sons, lime and coal.....	5.25
D. Ras, scavenger.....	12.40
Sara Vander Meulen, type-writing.....	1.40
Allowed and warrants ordered issued.....	

The following bills, approved by the Board of Park Trustees, at a meeting held Dec. 5th, 1911, were ordered certified to the Common Council for payment:

John Nies' Sons, supplies.....	\$ 12.13
The Donnelly-Kelly Glass Co., glass.....	65.74
G. Blom, freight and drayage.....	.53
Scott-Lugers Lbr. Co., lumber.....	94.97
Tyler Van Landegend, supplies.....	.62
Henry P. Dutton, labor and material.....	77.85
Klaas Buurma, labor.....	17.50
John Ver Hoef, team work.....	3.00
Henry Kraker, supplies.....	4.91
H. A. Doesburg, supplies.....	26.76
J. A. Kooyers, superintendent.....	36.00
H. De Slegter, labor.....	2.00
N. Erskine, labor.....	7.00
H. Van Lente, labor.....	23.25
R. Overweg, paid to G. Van Dyke for labor.....	4.00
L. Kooyers, labor.....	14.87
Allowed and warrants ordered issued.....	

The following bills, approved by the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners, at a meeting held Dec. 4th, 1911, were ordered certified to the Common Council for payment:

S. Meusen, patrolman.....	\$ 50.40
C. Steketee, patrolman.....	50.40
S. Leonard, patrolman.....	44.10
F. Wagner, patrolman.....	44.10
F. Kemferbeek, chief.....	57.75
C. Steketee spec. police serv.....	1.72
S. Leonard, spec. police serv.....	.63
J. Wagner, spec. police serv.....	.63
J. C. Brown, spec. police serv.....	3.00
Ray Knoll, janitor.....	2.50
Board of Public Works, repairing police signal.....	5.15
Hondelink & Luther, to transcript.....	41.76
Wm. A. Thomas, painting, etc.....	107.25
Ray Knoll, driver No. 1.....	30.00
Frank Stansbury, driver No. 2.....	30.00
A. Harrington, coal.....	14.16
Board of Public Works, light.....	5.68
Van Dyke & Sprietsma, supplies.....	.97
John Nies' Sons, supplies.....	1.73
Jas. A. Brouwer, shades and spring.....	10.50
L. Lanting, repairing.....	4.40
B. Steketee, supplies.....	2.58
Thos. Klomparsen, hay & oats.....	36.27
G. A. Klomparsen & Son, hay and oats.....	9.85
Mrs. J. Kiekentveld, washing.....	4.17
J. W. Flichmann, painting and repairing.....	35.85
Allowed and warrants ordered issued.....	

The following bills, approved by the Board of Public Works, at a meeting held Dec. 4th, 1911, were ordered certified to the Common Council for payment:

Holland City News, printing.....	\$ 14.75
Wm. Vander Ven, labor.....	20.00
P. M. Ry. Co., freight.....	250.23
Fostoria Incandescent Lamp Co., lamps.....	493.32
General Electric Co., meters and cut-outs.....	193.20
Westinghouse Elec. Co., fuses.....	5.63
G. R. H. & C. Ry. Co., insulators.....	2.40
Western Electric Co., mast arm code.....	29.89
Lansing Wheelbarrow Co., coal trucks.....	106.00
Electrical Review Pub. Co., subscription.....	3.00
National Coal Co., coal.....	93.39
Fostoria Glass Specialty Co., lamps.....	13.73
Illinois Electric Co., supplies.....	35.33
C. J. Litscher Electric Co., insulators.....	91.39
Montague Mailing Machinery.....	

Co., address plates.....	1.40
Molenaar & De Goede, soap.....	1.50
First State Bank, paid A. C. Lambert.....	90.00
Mich. State Tel. Co., toll mess.....	1.00
James B. Clow & Sons, lead.....	50.85
Detroit Lead Pipe & Sheet Lead Works, supplies.....	31.80
Van Dyke & Sprietsma, supplies.....	2.30
Scott-Lugers Lbr. Co., lumber.....	18.91
Postal Telec. Co., telegrams.....	1.32
T. Keppel's Sons, cement and lime.....	.75
Holland Printing Co., sheets.....	2.55
I. Vos, oil.....	.35
Mrs. A. C. Van Raalte, gravel.....	1.50
George Hyma, taking up 45 ft. of curb.....	6.00
John Ver Hoef, gravel and teaming.....	25.00
Fred Smith, labor.....	21.20
Dick Kaper, labor.....	20.40
G. Bouma, labor.....	18.60
S. Vander Ploeg, labor.....	16.80
Bert Smith, labor.....	6.00
Frank McFall, labor.....	36.75
C. J. Rozebeem, labor.....	16.00
H. A. Naberhuis, city engineer.....	5.00
Jacob Zuidema, asst. engineer.....	26.25
A. Riedsma, labor.....	11.88
G. Ten Brinke, labor.....	10.93
J. Meyer, labor.....	10.93
John Hooijer, labor.....	10.11
Jake Arnoldink, labor.....	9.50
H. Dryhamer, labor.....	5.70
J. Haasjes, labor.....	7.60
Wm. Langins, labor.....	7.60
J. Jansen, labor.....	10.70
J. Baker, labor.....	10.70
J. Kass, labor.....	10.70
J. Ver Hoef, labor.....	23.80
John Plogma, labor.....	9.50
Wm. Roelofs, labor.....	10.00
C. Plagenhoef, labor.....	9.50
T. Ven Huizen, labor.....	6.56
Ysbrand Bouma, labor.....	4.60
Peter Smith, labor.....	18.98
John Smith, labor.....	10.80
H. Dieterman, labor.....	12.90
S. Vander Ploeg, labor.....	9.50
L. Dykstra, labor.....	9.10
A. Overman, labor.....	9.50
James Kole, supplies.....	14.74
R. B. Champion, supt.....	62.50
Board of Public Works, paid B. J. Hills.....	8.65
Josie Kerkhof, stenographer.....	26.00
Dora Smith, clerical work.....	21.00
James Westveer, collector.....	10.00
Mrs. Minnie Coster, weekly payment.....	15.00
A. E. McClellan, engineer.....	55.00
Bert Smith, engineer.....	30.00
Jas. Annis, engineer.....	30.00
Frank Crispell, engineer.....	30.00
John Borgman, fireman.....	26.25
Frank McFall, fireman.....	26.25
Fred Slikkers, fireman.....	26.25
John De Boer, coal passer.....	23.00
C. J. Rozebeem, 12th St. attendant.....	25.00
Abe Nauta, electrician.....	25.00
J. P. De Feyter, line foreman.....	30.00
Hans Dykhuus, lineman.....	30.00
Chas. Ter Beek, lineman.....	29.25
John Van Dyke, lamp trimmer.....	35.76
Wm. Winsom, stock keeper.....	25.00
Peter Steketee, trouble man.....	13.00
Guy Pond, electric meter man.....	27.69
Lane Kamerling, water inspec.....	25.00
Ralph Van Lente, water meter man.....	25.00
Allowed and warrants ordered issued.....	

On motion of Ald. Brower, Resolved, that the Mayor appoint a member to serve on the Committee on Ways and Means during the absence of Ald. Mersen.

Carried.

The Board of Public Works reported the collection of \$551.62, light, water and main sewer fund moneys, and presented Treasurer's receipts for the amount.

Accepted and the Treasurer ordered charged with the amount.

The Clerk reported the collection of \$89.61, General, street and Police fund moneys, and presented Treasurer's receipt for the amount.

Accepted and the Treasurer ordered charged with the amount.

Justice Miles reported the collection of \$3.75 Officers fees, and presented Treasurer's receipt for the amount.

Accepted and the Treasurer ordered charged with the amount.

The Street Commissioner presented his report for the month of November.



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## DISCARDED AFTER 31 YEARS.

A well known Holland man who has been employed continuously in the same shop in this city or a period of thirty-one years was recently turned out of his employment. A general scheme of shortening hours was being inaugurated in the place and this man was approached by his employer and told that he was laid off.

It is said that other men, working at the same work, who had been in the employ of the company less than a year still kept their places. Upon asking for a reason for his dismissal the old employee is alleged to have been told that he had not been loyal to the firm and to his employer as the rest of the men.

This old employee has been a good citizen. He has brought up a large family and given his children every possible educational advantage. The man is universally respected. He has been a careful and conscientious workman. Apparently his only shortcoming, in the eyes of his employer, is, if the story we have heard is well founded, that he is a member of the Socialist party and has always been an active champion of the rights of labor. But this is not a new thing for this man. During nearly the whole period of 31 years he has held his personal opinions and expressed them freely. It seems strange that because a laboring man has opinions and views of his own in regard to the thing of most vital interest to him, namely, his labor, that he should be discarded after 31 years of faithful and efficient service on the ground of disloyalty.

The right of labor to form itself into unions for the benefit and protection of the members has long been indisputable. It is natural sequence of an age of centralization of power whatever mistakes labor has made and is making in the selection and continuation in office of incompetent leaders are being remedied and each experience of labor has brought with it a new dignity and power to the cause. The right of a man to hold his own political views has never been questioned in a free country. It is a false conception of elementary principles that can make disloyalty arise from the holding and expression of opinions over which a man has no control especially as long as his work has been performed intelligently and well.

If there is another reason for dismissing this man after this long period of time it is only fair that it be given him and that he be given opportunity to answer the charge. If such disloyalty is the only reason for his dismissal the cause is narrow and insufficient. It is not just that it should be discovered and acted upon after 31 years of earnest service. This is true not only of this case, but of any case involving the principle. Such incidents as this furnish a justification and excuse, if any be necessary, for views and opinions such as this old employee holds, and expresses.

The Los Angeles returns, with the woman vote included, are a severe disappointment to the wild-eyed type of radicals.

A champion steer in the Chicago show sold for \$1449, but the ultimate consumer thinks he still holds the record price with the ordinary average beefsteak animal.

A \$3,000,000 estate in Colorado has been tied up by will for 100 years. Perhaps everything will be so different a century hence that money itself will be in the museums.

Beet sugar production in the United States has increased to 600,900 tons, a gain of 80,000 tons over 1910. The Agricultural Department announces that "We can make our sugar." By doing it, over \$100,000,000 a year could be kept at home.

## AMONG THE LODGES.

The various local lodges and organizations have elected officers for the coming year.

The Royal Neighbors elected the following officers:  
 Oracle—Mrs. C. Harmon.  
 V. C.—Lena Hooker.  
 Recorder—Alice Bottles.  
 Receiver—Gettie Golds.  
 Chancellor—Ella Bacon.  
 Marshal—Cora Palmer.  
 L. S.—Lena Seery.  
 O. S.—Florence Hanson.  
 Manager—Mrs. Ben Hoffman.  
 Physicians—Dr. Whetmore and Dr. Thomas.

The Knights of Pythias held a very enthusiastic meeting and there was practical unanimity in the election of

## OFFICERS:

C. C.—Frank Congleton.  
 V. C.—C. Vander Meulen.  
 Prelate—Paul Frederickson.  
 K. R. and S. M. F.—A. J. Westveer.  
 M. at A.—A. M. Galetine.  
 M. of Ex.—H. A. Meengs.  
 Trustee—Wm. Orr.  
 Austin Harrington was chosen as the lodge's delegate to the Grand lodge to be held in South Haven in the spring and Wm. H. Orr was appointed as alternate. Mr. Congleton, who heads the lodge for another year was also C. C. during the past year and before that for a year V. C. D.

The Spanish War Veterans elected the following officers:  
 Commander—John Hornfeld.  
 S. V. C.—Herman R. Woltman.  
 J. V. C.—Anthony Westrate.  
 A.—John Henry Van Lente.  
 Quartermaster—M. Vander Bie.  
 Officer of the Day—C. L. Mulder.  
 Officer of the Guard—Hans Dykhuis.

Trustee for three years—Roy W. Calkins.

The K. O. T. M. M. elected the following officers:

Commander—G. Pond.  
 Lieut. Com.—Clifford Hopkins.  
 R. and F. K.—Leonard Vissers.  
 Physician—Dr. Bruinsma.  
 Chaplain—Peter Vander Meulen.  
 Sargeant—Milan Stevens.  
 Master at Arms—John Wise.  
 F. M. of G.—W. Welton.  
 S. M. of G.—Wm. Hopkins.  
 Sentinel—Chas. Ter Beek.  
 Picket—H. Knutson.

The following officers were elected at the meeting of Unity Lodge, F. & A. M. No. 191:

W. M.—F. A. Marsh.  
 S. W.—A. H. Golds.  
 J. W.—L. Thiele.  
 Treasurer—H. W. Hardie.  
 Secretary—Dr. Gillespie.  
 S. D.—E. W. Beck.  
 J. D.—U. F. De Vries.  
 Stewards—H. Kraker and J. J. Baxa.

Chaplain—B. B. Godfrey.  
 Tyler—R. W. Calkins.  
 The Degree of Honor elected the following:

Chief of Honor—May Tardiff.  
 Past Chief of Honor—Mae Hiler.  
 L. of H.—Katie Hoffstein.  
 C. of C.—Hattie Barnard.  
 R. and R.—Kate Herrick.  
 Financier—Marie Mason.  
 O. W.—Laura Gage.  
 I. W.—Cornelia Konkrigh.  
 U.—Grace Hyde.  
 P.—Myrtle Lackie.  
 Trustee—Wm. Baumgartel.  
 M. E.—Drs. Tuttle and Bruinsma.

## CONCERNING THE GRAND JURY.

The calling of the special grand jury will give Ottawa county the first experience with grand juries. Until now such a thing has been unheard of in this county, and while many people know very little about the procedure of such an organization, it looks as though the majority will be well informed before many months pass.

While the purpose of the grand jury is primarily to investigate the Holland gas row, the scope of the jury is not limited, and any matter may be brought before it for consideration and investigation. Therefore, any amount of excitement may be stirred up while that institution is under way. In fact many Ottawa county people are already raking over their brains to find something for the jury to investigate. News dispatches say that an effort will be made to have the probe punched into Holland paving matters of late, and before it is over some Grand Haven affairs may be dipped into.

The grand jury is chosen after the same manner as the petit juries. The names of the jurors are selected from the lists submitted by the supervisors of the various townships, and drawn on a panel by the justices, sheriff and county clerk. Twenty-three men are drawn to serve, and at the stated time they appear before the circuit court judge, who will instruct them as to their duties.

The prosecuting attorney acts as the legal advisor of the jury and his services are at their disposal. Witnesses are called and sworn, the usual rules of testimony prevailing.

The power of the jury is far-reaching and it may be said that it has no bounds whatever. The sessions and deliberations of the grand jury are absolutely secret, the indictments which issue from time to time indicating the findings of the jury.—Grand Haven Tribune.

These are the men selected for the Grand Jury where will hold its first session in Grand Haven on Jan. 8.

Allendale—David Mohr  
 Allendale—Ruler Dragt  
 Blenden—Thomas Engel  
 Chester—Eugene Porter  
 Crockery—William Gray  
 Georgetown—Wm. Berger, Sr.  
 Grand Haven—John Stoddard  
 Holland—Rempel Warmers  
 Jamestown—Gerrit Kooiman  
 Olive—John Hiemstra  
 Polkton—Ed Gates  
 Robinson—Doris Van Single  
 Spring Lake—David R. Waters  
 Talmadge—Irving Ketchapaw  
 Wright—Joseph Saranoski  
 Zeeland—Peter Der Duin  
 1st Ward, Grand Haven—Wm. Van der Meiden  
 2nd Ward—Thomas Johnston  
 3rd Ward—John Van Dongen, Sr.  
 4th Ward—John Huizinga  
 First Dis. Holland City—William Westhoek  
 2nd District—D. J. Hansen  
 Zeeland City—George Van Hees

## DEATHS.

Yesterday afternoon the funeral of Andrew Hoffman, who died at the age of 52 years took place at his home in Hudsonville. Deceased is survived by a wife and eleven children. Hoffman lived in Holland until about four years ago when he moved to Hudsonville.

Word was received this week of the death of Francis O. Vandersluijs, at his home in Big Rapids. Among the early settlers here the deceased was well known. He came here with his parents in the year 1848. His father, the late Oswald D. Vandersluijs, built the first steam saw mill at the head of Black Lake and was one of the trustees that were charged with the sale of the village lots, after the platting thereof. In the early 50's the family moved to Grand Rapids, where soon after the outbreak of the Civil War Frank enlisted in the 6th Michigan Cavalry and served in the army of the Potomac until the cessation of hostilities. His army record was honorable; wounded four times and of the effects of these wounds he suffered until the day of his death. Besides his wife and two children he is survived by two brothers, James of Grand Rapids, and John of this city, also two sisters, Mrs. A. Visscher of this city and Mrs. J. Vande Roovamb of Chicago. The funeral will be held today.

The funeral of young John Mattison whose body was recovered Monday afternoon, will be held this afternoon at one o'clock from the home at Virginia Park. The dead boy is survived by his parents, five brothers, Walter, Wilson and Frank of St. Vita, Colorado, Charles of Calson, Montana, and three sisters, Mrs. J. Nelson of Allegan, Mrs. John Birkland of Virginia Park, and Miss Cora Mattison of Virginia Park.

Shortly after 6 o'clock yesterday morning Miss Christiana J. Ogge died at her home at 314 Central avenue after a lingering illness with heart trouble. Miss Ogge had passed through great suffering during the last few months but the end came peacefully Wednesday morning. She was 46 years old. The funeral will be held from her home at 314 Central avenue, Friday afternoon at 1:30.

After a long illness of several months with a complication of diseases Prof. James G. Sutphen, for 26 years professor of Latin language and literature at Hope College, passed away at his home, 25 College Ave. at 2 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Prof. Sutphen was born in Somerville, New Jersey, 58 years ago. Twenty six years ago he came to take up his work in Hope College where he became an authority in his line of work and a highly successful instructor.

He is survived by a wife and two children, Walter and Frank.

The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from Hope church. Dr. Ane Vennema, president of the college, will officiate.

It is planned to hold the annual banquet of the Merchants Association some time in January. It will be a strictly local affair with no outside speakers.

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## IN SOCIETY

The Rev. M. Osseswaarde of Prairie View, Kansas, visited his daughter in Voorhees Hall.

Miss Marjorie Melcher, who spent several days at Voorhees hall, left Saturday.

A. Visscher and John Vandersluis were suddenly called to Big Rapids on account of the serious illness of F. O. Vandersluis.

A. Rosbach, vice president of the Michigan Rural Letter Carriers' association, was in Jackson Saturday attending a meeting of the executive board.

Miss Hannah Reidsma and Albert Borgman were married at the parsonage of the First Reformed church by Rev. Henry J. Veldman. They will make their home here.

Leon Rutgers, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Rutgers, who went to Denver some time ago on account of his health, is visiting his parents. He has greatly improved in health by his stay in the west.

Chris Wabeke, who has for a number of years been employed in a private hospital in Ann Arbor, and who has for the past seven weeks been visiting his parents in this city, has returned to Ann Arbor and from that place he will go to Sarasota, Florida next Monday.

Milton Hoffman, who won the Rhodes Scholarship prize and who has been studying at Oxford university during the past year arrived at his home in Overisel Monday. Mr. Hoffman will spend about four weeks in this country, after which he will resume his work at the University.

A family reunion was held at the home of H. Haveman on College avenue Monday in honor of Mrs. M. De Vries who celebrated her 76th birthday anniversary. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. De Vries, Mr. and Mrs. S. De Vries, Mrs. George Harvey, Mrs. J. Hartger and daughter Mabel, and Mrs. Jay Dornbush all of Grand apids; Mr. and Mrs. G. Schrotenboer of East Saugatuck; Mrs. J. Vork and daughter Margaret, of Saugatuck; Mr. and Mrs. I. De Kraker and Mr. and Mrs. ohn Bartels from this city.

Miss Jeanette Jonkers has returned from a visit in Grand Rapids.

Lucas Huyser and R. Steffens returned from Chicago after spending several days on business

John H. Lamar and Gertrude V. n Dyke were married in Holland. The couple will make their home in Zeeland.

### AT THE KNICKERBOCKER.



Next Saturday "The Traveling Salesman," Henry Harris' famous play, will come to the Knickerbocker theater for an afternoon and evening performance. This is the second road attraction that comes to Holland since the theater was opened and the patrons of the theater cannot help but be gratified that such high class attractions are being offered in the local theater as "Brewster's Millions" and the big laugh producer, "The Traveling Salesman."

The original company that played the "Traveling Salesman" in New York will appear in Holland and a good show is promised by the management.

# 8 More Shopping Days Then Christmas



Almost time to think about those little gifts you'll have 'to make. Have you ever stopped to consider how foolish it is to spend your money on some useless presents. Why not make up your mind this year to give something servicable as well as ornamental. Just such gifts as these will be found here.

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<b>Sweater Coats</b> \$1 to \$5	<b>Umbrellas</b> 50c to \$8		<b>Wool Mufflers</b> 25c to 50c
<b>Slippers</b> 50c to \$2	<b>Silk Mufflers</b> 50c to \$2		<b>Many other articles very appropriate for Xmas Gifts</b>
	<b>Fur Caps</b> \$1.25 to \$5	<b>Shirts</b> 50c to \$2.50	<b>Suit Cases and Valises</b>
	<b>Cravanettes</b> \$10 to \$15	<b>Leggings</b> 50c to \$1.25	
	<b>Suspenders</b> 25c to \$1	<b>Smoking Jackets</b> \$4 to \$7.50	
	<b>Stick Pins</b> 10c to 50c	<b>Hosiery</b> 10c to \$50c	

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### Wagner Chorus Concert at the Knickerbocker

The Wagner Male Chorus will give their sixth concert in the Knickerbocker theater on Wednesday evening, December 20, at 8:15 o'clock.

The plan of the organization is to give to the music lovers of Holland a concert which will be the most artistic yet given. The chorus has been practicing for the event under the direction of J. Francis Campbell of Grand Rapids and is in readiness to present a rare musical treat. To carry out their purpose they have secured the services of two of the best assisting artists obtainable. Leo Zelenka Lerando, the harp virtuoso, comes very highly recommended. A few months ago he came to Chicago to make it his permanent home after

having completed a series of concert tours through Germany, Austria, Italy, Denmark and England. Lerando was received with enthusiasm in the most aristocratic and court circles of the capitals of Europe.

Miss Josephine E. Matthys, the reader, is the head of the dramatic department of the Drake School of Music, Chicago. She graduated from the Soper School of Oratory in 1900 at the head of her class, and upon graduating won the C. D. Peacock diamond medal in the oratorical contest held at that time. Miss Matthys has great natural ability. She has a keen sense of humor and an unusual gift in the impersonation of eccentric characters.



## TESTAMENT TIMES BROOKLYN TABERNACLE BIBLE STUDIES

### EZRA'S BIBLE CLASS.

Nehemiah viii—Dec. 17.

"The Law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul."—Psalm cix, 7.

**E**ZRA APPARENTLY returned to Babylon, there to prosecute his study of the Law and his collating thereof. We next hear of him thirteen years after, again a prominent figure at Jerusalem. Nehemiah's work on the city wall and its gates was completed a week before the Jewish new year. That week was used for rest and refreshment, and on that day (about October 1st) a general convocation or public gathering took place in an open square just behind the temple. There a platform or pulpit was erected for Ezra, who was the scribe or learned man of the occasion and read to the people from morning until noon out of the Book of the Law. It was read in sections. The priests and Levites commingled themselves with the people and explained to them the meaning of the various sections.

It was an immense Bible class and aroused deep interest. As the people heard the words of the Divine Law, and realized that they had failed to keep that Law—even to the extent of their ability—they perceived the reason why the Lord had allowed various chastisements, captivities, etc., to come upon them. They perceived that such was His Covenant with them; that obedience on their part was to be rewarded with blessings and prosperity, and disobedience with punishment, captivity, etc. The realization of sin brought sorrow and tears—the people wept sore.

Then Nehemiah, Ezra and others explained to the people directly and through the Levites, that this was not a time for tears but, on the contrary, a time for rejoicing. They were not only to remember the severity of God in punishing the wrongdoings of their fathers, but they were to remember also His mercies now returning to them, and especially to appreciate the fact that He had again sent to them the Law, and thus indicated His willingness to receive them back again to His favor.

#### They Read the Law Distinctly.

The declaration is that they "caused the people to understand the Law." There is evidently great need of just such instruction today. Nominal Spiritual Israel is in a dilapidated condition because of the lack in understanding God's Word. We seem to be in the time referred to by the Prophet, saying, "There shall be a famine in the land," saith the Lord, "not a famine for bread, neither a famine for water, but a famine for the hearing of the Word of the Lord." (Amos viii, 11.)

Many imagine that they are familiar with the teachings of the Bible, when in reality they are familiar with one or another of the creeds of the darker past, all of which contain some truth, with considerable error, we must all admit. Our great mistake has been in assuming that our confessions of faith and all of our creeds fully represent the Bible's teachings. This mistake has already been costly. Thousands of the most generous minds have been turned away from the Bible by the mistaken supposition that the creeds properly represent its teachings. Assured that they could no longer endorse any creed as a whole, these bright minds have renounced them and the Bible as well.

The necessary thing to be done is to resume Bible study, and that without our creedal spectacles. Our forefathers who made our creeds participated more or less in persecutions of each other which we today entirely condemn. They were as honest, doubtless, as are we, but they had less light—they lived in a darker age. The belief that God is torturing thousands of millions of His creatures led some of our well-intentioned forefathers to torture one another in God's name, which we today cannot endorse as being just or loving.

The Power of the Divine Law.

There is a power for good in the Word of God which can be found nowhere else. Higher Criticism has much responsibility in connection with the growing lawlessness of the world. The Higher Critics in all of our colleges and seminaries are doing a terribly destructive work. In comparison to which the work of Voltaire, Thomas Paine and Robert Ingersoll was as nothing. It is safe to say that three-fourths of all the graduates of all colleges within the last thirty years have been unbelievers in the Bible, and that their influence has been used persistently to undermine the faith of others. The errors which led them to infidelity are liable to influence others. The Bible itself is a study, and only what it teaches should be believed, whether favorable or contrary to our former creeds.



"Caused the people to understand the law."

### WHAT YOU SAW IN THIS PAPER

#### WHAT YOU SAW 35 YEARS AGO

The sound of the axe is heard no more in the pines, saws doing their work more expeditiously and economically.

Quite a number of applications have been made to the Common Council for the appointment of City Marshal in place of J. C. Verplanke, resigned. The office of City Marshal seems to become very desirable all at once.

#### WHAT YOU SAW 30 YEARS AGO

Two Philadelphia mechanics claim to have discovered a device for running street cars by a series of powerful steel springs. At the end of each trip the car to be wound up like a clock.

#### WHAT YOU SAW 25 YEARS AGO

Last Sunday morning Mrs. Dirk Smith of New Holland died after a short illness with pneumonia. Mrs. Smith was a daughter of Dr. W. Reuse and was married only three weeks ago.

Capt. F. R. Brower who has been in Northern Wisconsin during the past season with his steamer, the S. B. Barker, which has run on the route between Ashland and Duluth, returned home last Thursday evening.

#### WHAT YOU SAW 20 YEARS AGO

Married in this city, at the residence of the bride's parents Wednesday, by Rev. J. T. Bergen, Edward Bouwman of Buffalo, N. Y. and Miss Anna Meene.

The second lecture in the course by the Board of Superintendents of the Theological seminary will be delivered by Rev. Samuel Streng of Kalamazoo, in the First Reformed church on Tuesday evening. "Subject: The mistakes of Ministers".

#### WHAT YOU SAW 15 YEARS AGO

Gerrit Hookert and Miss Lena De Weerd will be married at the latter's home on Tenth street next Wednesday evening.

Molenaar and De Goed have bought out the meat business of Swift and Gilmore on Eighth street.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Dea Herder Saturday.

Hendrikus Uiterwyk died last Friday night at the age of 75 years. Deceased was among our early pioneers, having resided in this city since 1848. He leaves one son, Rev. H. Uiterwyk of East Canaan, Conn. and one daughter Mrs. W. Elferdink of this city.

#### WHAT YOU SAW 10 YEARS AGO

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Abe Borgman Friday—a daughter.

The death of Mrs. H. De Weerd occurred Saturday at her home on 10th street at the age of 33 years. Mrs. De Weerd is survived by her husband and one sister, Mrs. G. VandenPerg and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. VanUyl.

A very pretty wedding took place last evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Yonkman when their daughter, Miss Nellie was united in marriage to Cecil R. Huntley, in the presence of relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Huntley will reside in this city on West 14th street.

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#### Common Council

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Rapids, Holland & Chicago Railway Company replace the steel of the street car track at the corner of River and 8th Streets, with heavier material and make proper construction there, was referred to the Committee on Streets and Crosswalks, the City Attorney, and the City Engineer.

On motion of Ald. King,

Resolved, that the Common Council of the City of Holland join in the request made to the Circuit judge for the grand jury for the investigation of certain bribery charges, and that they further request that said grand jury when called may also investigate the methods of organizing and financing the Holland City Gas Company, and the bond issues of said Company, to determine whether any criminal methods have been pursued in same.

Carried.

The Mayor appointed Ald. Lawrence as member of the Committee on Ways and Means to serve during the absence of Ald. Mersen.

Adjourned.

Richard Overweg, City Clerk.

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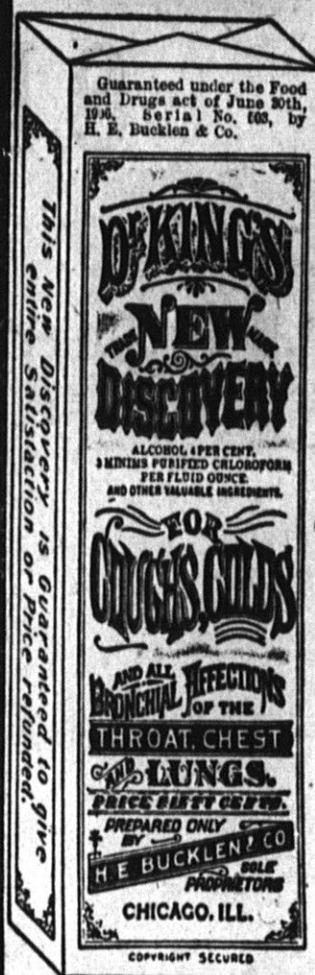
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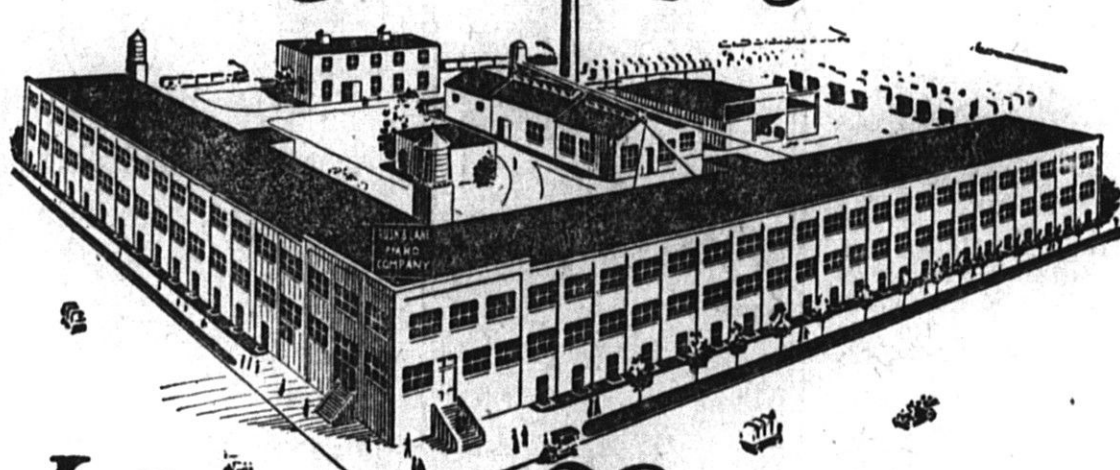
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### STATE OF MICHIGAN.

The Probate Court for the County  
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At a session of said court held at  
the probate office, in the City of  
Grand Haven, in said county, on the  
5th day of December, A. D. 1911.

Present: HON. EDWARD P.  
KIRBY, Judge of Probate.

IN THE MATTER OF THE  
ESTATE OF George W. Straight,  
Deceased.  
EMMA F. STRAIGHT having filed  
in said court her petition praying that  
a certain instrument in writing, pur-  
porting to be the last will and testa-  
ment of said deceased, now on file in  
said court be admitted to probate, and  
that the administration of said estate  
be granted to herself or to some other  
suitable person.

IT IS ORDERED, That the 2nd  
day of January, A. D. 1912, at ten  
o'clock in the forenoon, at said prob-  
ate office, be and is hereby appointed  
for hearing said petition;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED,  
That public notice thereof be given by  
publication of a copy of this order, for  
three successive weeks previous to  
said day of hearing, in the Holland  
City News, a newspaper printed and  
circulated in said county.

EDWARD P. KIRBY,  
Judge of Probate.

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ORRIS SLUITER,  
Register of Probate. 49-3

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Present: Hon. Edward P. Kirby,  
Judge of Probate.

IN THE MATTER OF THE  
ESTATE OF Emily R. Owen, De-  
ceased.

Frank W. Stansbury having filed in  
said court his petition praying that  
the administration of said estate be  
granted to Fred T. Miles or to some  
other suitable person.

IT IS ORDERED, That the 2nd  
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ORDER FOR PUBLICATION.  
STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Pro-  
bate Court for the County of Ot-  
tawa.

At a session of said court, held at  
the probate office in the city of Grand  
Haven, in said county, on the 9th day  
of December, A. D. 1911.

Present: Hon. Edward P. Kirby,  
Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of  
DERK MEISTE, Deceased.

Jan Harm Meiste having filed in  
said court his petition praying that  
said court adjudicate and determine  
who were at the time of his death the  
legal heirs of said deceased and en-  
titled to inherit the real estate of  
which said deceased died seized, it is  
ordered that the

8th day of January, A. D. 1912,  
at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said  
probate office, be and is hereby ap-  
pointed for hearing said petition;

It is further ordered, that public  
notice thereof be given by publication  
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A true copy.  
ORRIS SLUITER,  
Register of Probate.  
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STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Pro-  
bate Court for the County of Ot-  
tawa.

In the matter of the estate of  
ANNE VANDEN BOSCH,  
Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that, by vir-  
tue of an order of said court, made  
on the 27th day of November, A. D.  
1911, I shall sell, at public auction,  
on the 20th day of January, A. D.  
1912, at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon,  
at the residence of Klaas Timmer-  
man on the premises hereinafter de-  
scribed, in said county, the interest  
of said estate in the following de-  
scribed real estate, to-wit: The east  
half of the west half of the southeast  
quarter of section two, town five  
north, range fifteen west, situate and  
being in the Township of Holland,  
Ottawa County, Michigan.

Dated this 7th day of December,  
A. D. 1911.

LUKE LUGERS,  
Trustee of Anne Vanden  
Bosch Estate.

49-6w

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Pro-  
bate Court for the County of Ot-  
tawa.

In the matter of the estate of  
JENNIE INGRAHAM WALSH,  
Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that four  
months from the 29th day of Novem-  
ber, A. D. 1911, have been allowed  
for creditors to present their claims  
against said deceased to said court  
for examination and adjustment, and  
that all creditors of said deceased are  
required to present their claims to  
said court, at the probate office, in  
the city of Grand Haven, in said  
county, on or before the

29th day of March, A. D. 1912,  
and that said claims will be heard by  
said court on the 29th day of March,  
A. D. 1912, at ten o'clock in the  
forenoon.

Dated November 29th, A. D. 1911.  
EDWARD P. KIRBY,  
Judge of Probate.

49-3w

Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey  
For Coughs and Colds.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Pro-  
bate Court for the County of Ot-  
tawa.

In the matter of the estate of  
MARINUS MULDER, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that by vir-  
tue of an order of said court made on  
the 4th day of December, A. D. 1911,  
I shall sell, at public auction, on the  
30th day of January, A. D. 1912,  
at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at No.  
77 West Tenth St., City of Holland,  
in said county, the interest of said  
estate in the following described real  
estate, to-wit:

Lot number thirteen, block thirty-  
nine, of the village, now city, of Hol-  
land, Ottawa county, Michigan.

Dated this eleventh day of Decem-  
ber, A. D. 1911.

JOHANNES MULDER,  
Administrator of said Estate of  
Marinus Mulder, Deceased.  
50 3w

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been costing you higher prices.

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they hold their shape, fit better and  
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len's Arnica Salve to prevent blood  
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MICHIGAN

## Collection of

# TAXES

## To the Tax Payers of the City of Holland:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN—That the Annual Assessment Rolls  
of the several Supervisor Districts of the City of Holland have been de-  
livered to me for the Collection of the Taxes therein levied and that said  
taxes can be paid to me, at my office, in the City Hall, Corner River and  
11th Streets., at any time before the first day of January next, without  
any charge for collection, but that five per cent collection fee will be  
charged and collected upon all taxes remaining unpaid on said first day of  
January.

I shall be in my office on every week day during the month of De-  
cember on and after date of this notice, between the hours of 8:30 a. m.,  
and 7:30 p. m., to receive payment of such taxes as are offered me.

Dated Holland, Mich., December 4, A. D., 1911.

**Nicholas J. Essenburg,**

City Treasurer





## LOCALS

A. J. Nyland of Grand Haven has announced himself as a candidate for the Republican nomination for sheriff.

The Waalworth 5 and 10 cent store, the Holland jewelry stores and several others will be open evenings from now on till Christmas.

During part of the week just before Christmas the two substitute carriers will be put on at the local postoffice to help the regular men take care of the large volume of mail that will come flooding in.

The Odd Fellows elected the following officers at their last meeting: N. G. Wm. Cobb; V. G., Peter Damstra; treasurer, Herman Damson; secretary, George Jonhs; trustee for three years, Henry Kraker; district deputy grand master, Fred Bacon.

The jewelry firm of Wykhuizen & Karreman moved this week from the old store on College avenue to the new quarters on West Eighth street, next to the P. S. Boter & Co. clothing store. The firm has been doing business on College avenue for the past 15 years.

Harry Spears, manager of the Socialist Co-operative Publishing company's chain of newspapers, will deliver the second lecture of the Lyceum course at Maccabee hall Saturday night, "How Things Happen to Happen." Mr. Spears takes the place of Rose Pastor Stokes, who has been prevented from filling the dates on account of illness.

The local stores will be closed next Wednesday evening on account of the Wagner Chorus concert which is scheduled for that evening. It is customary to keep the places of business open very night during the week before Christmas but in this way the merchants show their appreciation for the work of the Chorus. The concert will be given in the Knickerbocker Theatre.

At a meeting of the ways and means committee of the council Monday night it was decided to employ George H. Parks and Mr. Hardman, members of the Michigan Audit and Appraisal Company of Grand Rapids to audit the city books of Holland for the past ten years. The job, which will take a couple of months will be thorough. The books of the City Clerk, City Treasurer and Board of Public Works will be included in the audit.

The above is the first of a series of letters Mr. Souter is sending us concerning his western trip. We have another very interesting letter which we will publish soon. The names of the Las Vegas pioneers referred to by Mr. Souter in his letter are as follows: H. R. Parker, F. A. Nims, C. D. Black, Elmer McElroy, J. Davidhizer, E. S. Crooks, Dave Kunkel, David Newcomer, Mrs. A. J. Gerard, and Ralph Goodrich.

## Jenison Park

Miss Anna Harkema and Mr. Van Regenmoeter were quietly married a week ago. Both are popular young people and we wish them success.

Miss Rose Thiman and Mrs. Erving have some new selections of music that all musical people like.

## SUMMER BOARDERS' NOTICE.

To all parties desiring summer boarders, if you will kindly forward before January 15th, 1912, your name, location, where you receive your mail, number of boarders you can accommodate, rate by day or week and a concise statement of most desirable route to reach your place, to Messrs. A. B. Morse & Co., St. Joseph, Mich., the same will be published in our summer booklets free of charge.

GRAHAM & MORTON LINE.

Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey  
For Coughs and Colds.

## WANT ADS.

WANTED—Job by a young man, handy at most all kinds of work; a handy man around a store; have some experience in meat market. Address W, Holland City News.

## CHINESE NEWSPAPER.

Mr. Mulder of the News, who is on a western trip, has forwarded to us an edition of the only Chinese daily newspaper in America. The paper is printed in Chinatown, San Francisco, and is very interesting typographically, looking as if every one of the letters in the Chinese alphabet has been brought into play.

## DEATHS.

Mrs. Teunis Koning, aged 29, died at the home of her mother, Mrs. J. Baasa, Sunday evening, at 46 East Sixth street, after a lingering illness. Deceased is survived by a husband and six children.

John Tripp died Monday morning at his home at 262 West Twentieth street, at the age of 58. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock from the home. The deceased is survived by a wife and seven children.

Mrs. Y. Van Dyke, aged 50, died in a hospital in Kalamazoo. She is survived by a husband and seven children.

## TO COLLECT TAXES.

I will be at Gerrit Slink's, Fillmore, Dec. 18 and Jan. 8; at John Lubbers, East Saugatuck, Dec. 19 and Jan. 3; at Tien & Heneveld, Graafschap, Dec. 20 and January 9; at E. Pelon store, May Dec. 21 and Jan. 4. Fridays at home.

JOHN VER BERG,

Fillmore Township Treasurer.

For the week commencing Dec. 10th the Orpheum theater at Grand Rapids offers an exceptionally strong vaudeville bill.

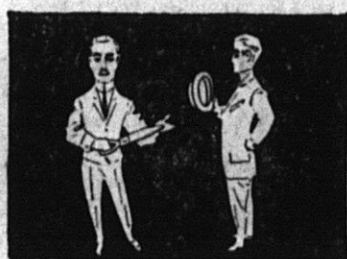
The headliners are the "Exposition Four," who have been heralded as the most popular quartet on the vaudeville stage. They are a most complete musical turn and use several different instruments. They sing popular songs, dance difficult steps and throughout the entire act keep everybody in good humor.

Holmes, Wells and Finlay have a new act that is full of songs and dances, and they are neat, natty, nifty and nice.

Rhea Keane and company will present a very clever comedy entitled, "What Money Could Not Buy." Miss Keane is supported by a very capable company.

## Too Often.

The sea of matrimony frequently turns out to be a dismal swamp.



## The Home of Fine Tailoring

Have your next suit of clothes made to your measure

and feel that you are at all times dressed in the best of style. For your furnishing goods go where they keep Cluett Shirts, Arrow Brand Collars, Hole-Proof Hose, Longley Hats, and other up-to-date goods.

AGENCY AMERICAN LAUNDRY

**VICK DYKEMA,**  
TAILOR, HATTER, FURNISHER  
Corner River and Eighth Streets

## Holland City Gas Co.

## Costs of Producing Gas and Price of Gas Service

The price for which any manufactured product can be sold, with fairness to all concerned, depends on the cost of making the product and delivering it to the customer ready for his use.

In this respect, the business of serving the People with gas is like that of furnishing them with shoes or clothing or any article of merchandise.

In the recent investigation of the Gas question, the Special Committee of Aldermen and Business Men learned that the Holland City Gas Company's average cost of making and distributing gas in the last five years was more than 83 1-5 cents per thousand cubic feet.

The committee also learned that in order to earn a fair profit on the actual value of its property, in that time, the Company should have received \$1.01 3-4 per thousand cubic feet.

These are not the Gas Company's figures. They were prepared for the Committee by an expert gas engineer employed by the city to report the facts regardless of the interests of the Company.

The City's expert, Mr. E. G. Pratt, made his examination independently and in his own way. The Company merely placed its books and records at his disposal and gave him ac-

cess to its property. His report represents the facts as he found them. It shows the meaning of those facts as made clear by his professional skill and long experience.

Colonel Pratt is a man of such high standing in his profession that his good faith cannot be questioned and his judgment must be accepted with respect, even by those whose own ideas do not agree with his on all points.

Because of this, we believe that, although he was acting for the City, he conducted his work in a spirit of entire fairness towards the Company as well as the City.

Colonel Pratt, in his report, said that even the City could not make and distribute gas, under present conditions, for less than 90.44 cents, provided that the City would be able to start with all the business that the Company now has.

These statements by an expert gas engineer of unquestioned reliability, after a thorough examination for the City, should convince the Citizens of Holland that the Gas Company is not able to make a fair profit even at the present rate of 90 cents. They should convince them also that if the rate were cut to 80 cents the Company would lose money on all gas sold.

## The Nature of a Franchise

The franchise for a Gas Company or any other public utility, is a contract or agreement between the city that grants it and the company that accepts it.

The purpose for which such an agreement is made is to permit the Company to perform a service for the Public.

The reason why a Gas Company is required to have a franchise is because it must have the City's permission to lay pipes in the public streets.

A Gas Company has no way of distributing its product among its customers except by means of a permanent system of pipes laid beneath the streets and other public thoroughfares.

If it were possible to deliver gas in bulk—like milk, groceries or dry goods—the Company would not need a franchise or any other form of authority from the City.

Then the Company would be free to conduct its business in its own way like any merchant or any manufacturer of ordinary products. It could make its own prices.

Gas mains are laid far below the surface of the ground. They are not in sight and do

not interfere with any other use of the streets. But the streets are public property, and, therefore, the company cannot use them without the city's permission.

It is because of the People's need for gas service that a gas franchise is granted. If it were not for the interest of the People, no private Company would be allowed to have pipes, wires or railway tracks in the streets.

The franchise of the Holland City Gas Company gives the Company only the right to lay its pipes in the streets, and the manner in which this must be done is closely restricted.

The Company must provide all the capital, do all the work and take all the risks of its business, but it is not allowed full control of the business. Its rates are fixed and other restrictions are imposed by the terms of the franchise.

Even though these conditions result in loss the Company is powerless to change them without consent of the City. It is because they did prove unprofitable to the Company that the City was asked to modify them and the City Council was willing to do so.

## Holland City Gas Company

## A Golden Opportunity

To get a Most Useful **CHRISTMAS PRESENT** at a Bargain Price. You cannot buy a better or more useful present than a good high grade Sewing Machine. From now until Christmas or while the supply lasts we are going to sell the

*High Grade White Sewing Machine at the following prices:*



No. 25

Style 25	Vibrator	shuttel,	reg. price	\$35,	now	\$27
" 27	"	"	"	38,	"	\$29
" 35	"	"	"	38,	"	\$29
" 25	Rotary	"	"	37,	"	\$28
" 27	"	"	"	40,	"	\$31
" 35	"	"	"	40,	"	\$31

**You can buy now and pay later by a small payment down**



No. 35



"Sit-Strate" No. 60

## THE REASON WHY

After this stock of machines is sold out we will have a new proposition in sewing machines which will completely overshadow everything in the sewing machine line today. A new style of machine called the "Sit-Strate" No. 60, White Sewing Machine. You will notice that when using this machine you sit straight in front of your machine. No more stretching of necks or breaking of backs.

Come in and see this new creation. Its a wonder no one thought of this before but as usual we are first.

## COOK BROS.

37 E. Eighth Street

HOLLAND, MICH.

## The Knickerbocker

J. C. Agnew, Mgr.

## Thursday and Friday

December 14 and 15

A—Motion Pictures

B—Rudolph & Lena

Yodlers from the Alps. A Novelty from the Old World

C—Jimey Griffin & Emmert

A roaring sketch—"Tangled Tales"

D—Harry Fetterer Comedy Ventriloquist

E—Alvin & Kennedy, Comedy Acrobats

Motion Pictures

**One Big Show Nightly at 8 o'clock**

Coming Monday, Dec. 18, BIG AMATEUR SHOW in conjunction with the regular bill. Come and see your friends perform.



# HOLLAND CITY NEWS

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Catering for Anybody, Anywhere and Anytime

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Selected especially for the Holiday Trade

Remember, in addition to Ice Cream, we are serving in our Grill Room Delicious Hot  
Chocolate, Beef Tea and Malted Milk

Open all day Christmas

E. Fischer, The Candy Man

## The Holland City State Bank

W. H. Beach, Pres. Otto Kramer, Ass't Cashier  
C. Ver Schure, Vice Pres., and Cashier

Capital ..... \$50,000  
Surplus ..... \$50,000  
Deposits ..... \$1,000,000

Interest paid upon Saving Accounts and certificates of deposit at the rate of four per cent per annum, compounded every six months. Issue drafts on the principal cities in all parts of the world. Travelers Checks for sale. Solicits the accounts of merchants and manufacturers. Money to loan on approved collateral and real estate.

One Dollar opens an Account

## Robert Bros. Meat Market

114 W. 16th Street

Steaks, Chops, Chickens, Turkeys, in fact everything in the meat and canned goods line to make up a

Fine Christmas Dinner

Prompt Delivery

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Dry Cleaning and  
Dyeing



All Garments are sanitary

STEAM PRESSED

GOODS CALLED FOR AND DELIVERED

Prices Reasonable

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Think of

**Gilbert's**

They are the Highest Grade Candies in the city and are selling at 60c a pound

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Cor. River and Eighth Streets



**See Who's Here!**

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Holland, Mich.

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John W. Beardslee, V. P.

G. W. Mokma, Cashier  
H. J. Luidens, Ass't Cashier

Capital Stock \$50,000

Surplus and Profits \$57,312,000

Deposits \$1,255,710.00

Directors: J. W. Bosman, J. W. Beardslee, H. Kramers, G. J. Kollen, Geo. E. Kollen, G. W. Mokma, G. J. Diekema, I. Marsilje, W. G. Garrod

## Holland Fuel Company

—Dealers in—

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Office: Boone's Livery

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We Make a Specialty of Supplying Farmers with Coal

Prompt Service is Our Motto

## Christmas Shoppers Attention!



What is more useful than a pair of  
**Nice Shoes, Warm Slippers or a Pair of  
High Tops for a Xmas Gift?**

**Enterprise SHOE Store**

238 River Street

The store where you find Quality Style and Service

## Announcement

AMONG the new institutions in Holland during 1911 for which no bonus was asked and which quietly and unostentatiously proceeded to erect a brick factory, dry kilns, boiler house and warehouses costing \$8,000 to \$10,000, and which will furnish employment to many men, is the Home Interior Finish Company at East Seventeenth street near the Pere Marquette Ry. This plant will be equipped and in operation by January 1912, fully prepared to furnish completely all the interior finish for the finest and most elaborate residences.

The factory will contain the necessary machinery for turning out the best class of work, while the new dry kilns are of the very latest construction to ensure that all the lumber will be perfectly seasoned before it is placed in process of manufacture.

The public cannot realize the extent of the activities at this plant nor the area covered by the recently erected buildings without making a personal visit to this, one of the latest and yet one of the most needed of Holland's many manufacturing institutions. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to visit this plant where Mr. Herman Fredricks will be pleased to meet and explain the plant to visitors.

The Home Interior Finish Co.

## Do You Need a New Building?

Whenever you are planning to build you will save money and perhaps get some valuable suggestions if you call and see us before ordering your materials.

We have a choice stock of Building Material. Doors, Windows, Lumber, Lath, Shingles, Lime, Cement and inside finish. Come in and look at our stock. We will soon be in our new factory located at North River Street.

Scott-Lugers Lumber Co.,

Phone 1001

**Michigan Wheat** Is the Sweetest, Most Palatable Wheat in the World

**Little Wonder Flour** Is made from the Choicest Michigan Wheat  
Once Fairly Tried is always Used

**Beach Milling Company**



# At the Old Home

by Lawrence T. Berliner.  
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STEARNS, the man of affairs, was a far different individual as a winter's evening found him deep in thought. A man of but little sentiment, was the way the world adjudged the financier. Yet there were whisperings of a youthful romance and early departure from home. No one ever dared broach the subject and it had long since been forgotten.

As Charles Stearns gazed into the fire in the library of his home, the flickering light seemed to recall days of the past. In fancy he saw again his boyhood home, his parents and acquaintances. How little they had been to him for so long a time!

Quarterly stipends he had supplied to the old folks, yet he had never heeded the call they sent out for their only son.

As the man sat musing, he spoke aloud:

"I believe I am getting sentimental. I think I shall surprise the old folks and pay them a visit for Christmas."

A thought meant an act with Stearns. His mind once made up, it took much to change it. His decision to return to the farm for the holiday gave him pleasure. He could hardly await the time when he was to start.

He bought presents for the old folks. He remembered his father's delight in watches. One of the finest to be had went into the satchel for him. The silk for a new dress made up a portion of what he planned for his mother.

It was a long journey to the old homestead. The train sped onward and each moment made the man more anxious to see his people and the old place again. But suddenly a thought occurred to him and his face blanched. He had forgotten; Stella Harrington might still be there.

All the memories of the past were swept aside and he thought only of her.

Once she had promised to make him happy. As he thought of that time, he sighed deeply. She had altered his life when she changed her mind at the last and threw him over.

He recalled the jeers of his boyhood companions as they sneered their rough witticisms at him. It was the way of the country and he could not stand the finger of scorn and had fled. That was in the long ago and he had almost forgotten—until now.

As the train stopped at the little station on the hill it seemed as if he had left it only yesterday.

But no—where was George White, the old agent? A young man filled his place. The driver of the stage was another stranger. Old Eb Brown was also a thing of the past.

None knew the portly middle-aged man as he strode towards the coach that plied between station and town. There was a moment's pause, while the driver gathered the mail, as old Eb had done so many times, and they were off.

As the rig rattled over the rough roads the man within watched with interest the scenes of his youth. The town had changed little in the years that had passed.

When the coach paused at the old homestead the man's eyes filled with tears. A woman came from the house; mother and son were in each other's arms.

On the porch stood his father to welcome the man home. With misty eyes the united family stood. All hearts were full. The parents' hopes had been realized and the prodigal had come home.

"How could I have remained away so long?" he asked again and again as the old folks bustled about, trying to make him comfortable.

"And, Charlie, you are now a banker they tell us," said his mother. "You, who left us so long ago, are the image of your father at your age."

"My boy," spoke the father, "it has been a long time since you went away, but we are mighty glad to have you back again."

The son's heart was too full for words. There was one question he would like to ask but the words refused to come.

"Charlie," questioned his mother, "have you ever seen Stella since the day you went away? I know I ought not to speak of this, but I must."

"Mother!" All a boy's anguish came forth in that word. As of yore he buried his face in the parent's lap and sobbed.

She stroked his now thinning locks and the touch was magical. Why had he lost his parents for so many years? His joy was too much, too good, to last.

"I have never seen her," he said at last; "never since the day she promised to be my wife and then as quickly refused to marry me."

"My poor boy, do you remember Steve Briggs—the one that wore the fine clothes? He had much to do with Stella's refusal to keep her promise."

"She never told me just what he said, but it was enough to make her throw you over. You would never come back and she was too proud to write."

"Where is Stella now, mother?" asked the man.

"She lives in the old place by the creek. Charlie, you remember it—with all the apple trees behind the house?"

Well did the man remember the orchard where he had spent the autumn evening with his sweetheart.

That evening found Stearns walking toward the creek. "I wonder how the old place looks," he thought.

There was the old-fashioned house, the porch with the long steps. Everything was as if the old days were still there.

A figure moved about in the parlor. He knew well where the parlor was. He heard the organ. It was Stella's favorite air. He paused and his eyes filled with tears as he heard that voice again.

Slowly he ascended the steps and pulled the bell. The playing stopped and he heard footsteps. The door opened and the light of the hall streamed upon his face.

It was evident that the woman failed to recognize him, for she looked askance as he spoke.

"Is this Stella Harrington?" he began, but the sound of his voice made her start.

"Charles Stearns, have you come back?" she gasped, and followed him into the room.

"So, Stella, you are keeping house alone now! You—you have not changed very much, either," he said earnestly.

He saw that her once golden tresses were streaked with gray, yet much of the youthful beauty remained and he found his heart quickening as he gazed at the woman.

"And you are the great banker they would have us believe—little Charlie Stearns, who used to be my tease at school?"

Neither had touched on the subject which seemed to be in the minds of both. At last the man could remain silent no longer.

"Stella, my mother has just told me why you changed your mind so many years ago. Why did you not tell me then?" he asked.

"Because I was too proud. When I found that he had lied, it was too late."



All the memories of the past were swept aside and he thought only of her.

Once she had promised to make him happy. As he thought of that time, he sighed deeply. She had altered his life when she changed her mind at the last and threw him over.

He recalled the jeers of his boyhood companions as they sneered their rough witticisms at him. It was the way of the country and he could not stand the finger of scorn and had fled. That was in the long ago and he had almost forgotten—until now.

As the train stopped at the little station on the hill it seemed as if he had left it only yesterday.

But no—where was George White, the old agent? A young man filled his place. The driver of the stage was another stranger. Old Eb Brown was also a thing of the past.

None knew the portly middle-aged man as he strode towards the coach that plied between station and town. There was a moment's pause, while the driver gathered the mail, as old Eb had done so many times, and they were off.

As the rig rattled over the rough roads the man within watched with interest the scenes of his youth. The town had changed little in the years that had passed.

When the coach paused at the old homestead the man's eyes filled with tears. A woman came from the house; mother and son were in each other's arms.

On the porch stood his father to welcome the man home. With misty eyes the united family stood. All hearts were full. The parents' hopes had been realized and the prodigal had come home.

"How could I have remained away so long?" he asked again and again as the old folks bustled about, trying to make him comfortable.

"And, Charlie, you are now a banker they tell us," said his mother. "You, who left us so long ago, are the image of your father at your age."

"My boy," spoke the father, "it has been a long time since you went away, but we are mighty glad to have you back again."

The son's heart was too full for words. There was one question he would like to ask but the words refused to come.

"Charlie," questioned his mother, "have you ever seen Stella since the day you went away? I know I ought not to speak of this, but I must."

"Mother!" All a boy's anguish came forth in that word. As of yore he buried his face in the parent's lap and sobbed.

She stroked his now thinning locks and the touch was magical. Why had he lost his parents for so many years? His joy was too much, too good, to last.

"I have never seen her," he said at last; "never since the day she promised to be my wife and then as quickly refused to marry me."

"My poor boy, do you remember Steve Briggs—the one that wore the fine clothes? He had much to do with Stella's refusal to keep her promise."

## The Boy Who Has No Santa Claus

By ROBERTUS LOVE

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THE boy who has no Santa Claus,  
So wistful, oh, so woe he looks  
Through wondrous windows,  
making pause

To gaze upon the picture books—  
"The Giant Killer," "Mother Goose."  
Hlas, poor urchin, what's the use?

I saw him standing yesternight,  
His nose against the frosty pane,  
Enamored of the fairy sight,  
So fond, so friendless, oh, so frail  
To grasp and beat the painted drum  
He dreamed of seeing Santa come.

So long he stood and looked within  
I thought his yearning gaze must charm  
The stalwart soldier made of tin  
To rise and follow through the storm  
And, standing guard above him, make  
His dream come true ere he awoke.



The jumping jack, the candy cane,  
The bugle and the hobbyhorse—  
I'd think they would be sick with pain  
And sorrowful with deep remorse  
Because they did not steal away  
And in his squalid garret stay.

The boy who has no Santa Claus,  
Oh, sadder far his sorrow is  
Than all our grownup woes, because  
We have no wishes such as his.  
The useless yearn of childhood, oh,  
We cannot feel, we cannot know!

Oh, little Johnny Loney Boy,  
I'm sad and sorry for you—so!  
You shouldn't miss the perfect joy  
Of Christmas, for the years are slow.  
If I'd the making of the laws  
I'd give each boy a Santa Claus.

### Doubled Expense.

"He does an awful lot of kicking about the expense of Christmas presents. He yells twice as much as any other man in the office."  
"Perhaps that is because he is leading a double life."

### Once Is Enough.

Christmas comes but once a year, it is true, but it takes three days to recover from its effects and the rest of the year to get ready for the next one.

### A Christmas Truth.

At Christmas the small boy will love the giver without any regard to his being cheerful or grouchy.

### Seems to Justify Superstition.

The opal associated with misfortune by Russians of both sexes, who should they chance to see an opal among the goods displayed for purchase will buy nothing more that day, and it is a curious fact that the Japanese, being under the sign that this stone belongs to, should be the nation to bring such ill luck to the Russians during the disastrous war between these two countries.

### Attribute of Great Soldier.

The greatest general is he who knows when to retreat and dares to do it.

### Florida Times-Union.

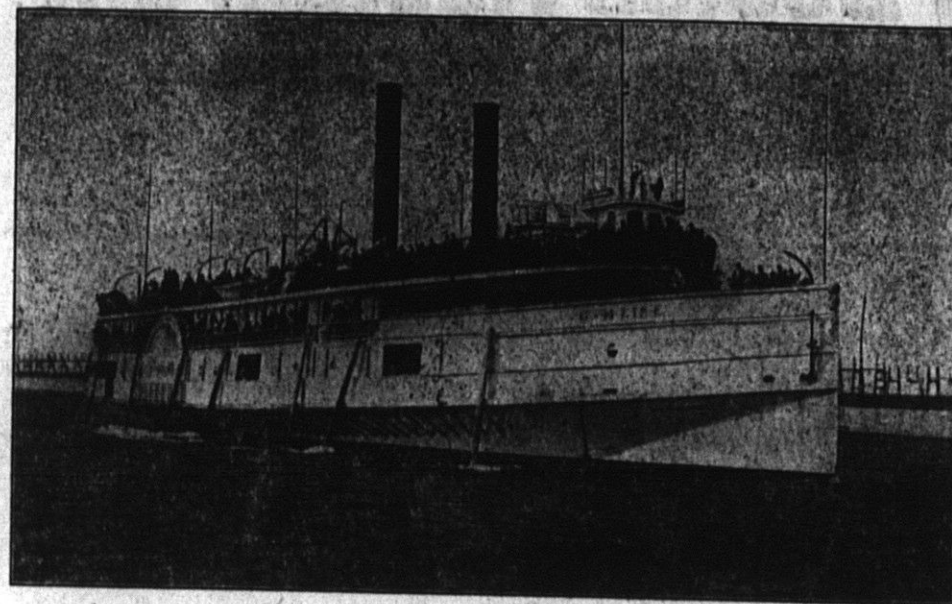
Procrastination sometimes saves a man from making a fool of himself.

### Youthful Reasoning.

A Maryland assemblyman says the boys up his way begin to learn politics as soon as they leave the cradle. "By ten," he states, "a boy knows the game pretty well. For instance, one day in school the teacher was asking the pupils about South America. 'Explain the government of ten of the countries down there,' she said to one of the little fellows. 'They're republics,' he quickly replied. 'What are the other three?' 'Democrats.'"

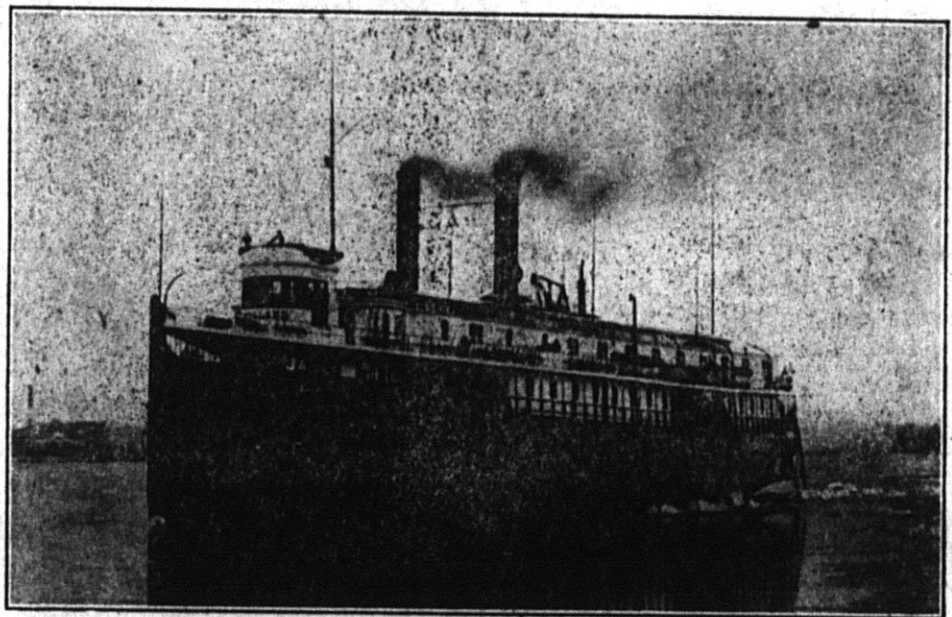
### Impossible to Imitate Opal.

Alone among jewels the opal defies the ingenuity of the imitator. It owes its charm not so much to its own intrinsic merits as to the splendor of the rays of light that it reflects. It is the chameleon of stones. Pliny, writing 1,819 years ago, remarked that it "displays at once the piercing fire of carbuncles, the purple brilliancy of amethysts and the sea green of emeralds, the whole blended together and refulgent with a brightness that is quite incredible."



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